



# The Flypaper



The Official Newsletter of the Alaska 99s  
October 2008

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## Notes from the Chair . . . .

Just when we thought winter was just around the corner the sun came out and dried up our world! What an invigorating week this has been. I had the grand opportunity to hitch a ride to Homer for lunch last Sunday. It was a beautiful day, I forgot about my very long "to do" list and just enjoyed the flight and the company of friends. So I have to say that my \$80 hamburger was definitely worth it!

The Alaska and Mat-Su Valley Chapters' Flying Companion team of instructors and volunteers have been very busy preparing for our next seminar at the Aviation North Expo in Fairbanks on October 18. There will be a flight of two SUVs heading north for this event. Patty Livingston will give a separate conference presentation on "Airmarking Alaska: Northway to Nome." Aviation North Expo is a premier 3-day seminar that has something for everyone in the aviation community. We hope to see many of you there.

We are fortunate to have Tina Neal from the Alaska Volcano Observatory take time to give a presentation at this coming monthly meeting. Volcanoes are part of the Alaskan landscape and the more we know about them the better off we are whether it be the preparation in our homes or when flying our planes. After Tina's presentation the Alaska Chapter will begin a focus on strategic planning for this coming year. Top of the list is Scholarships lead by Helen Jones to determine the dollar amounts and timelines for next spring. At what events should we have a 99s booth, what organizations should receive our donations, what about that Christmas party, and are we ready for another 49 1/2 installation??? Last but definitely NOT least how can we get more people in the air flying to airmarkings, other aviation events, or maybe just lunch--which always tastes better in some city or town far away? There is always too much to talk about, too little time. I hope you and yours can join us next Wednesday and participate in the conversation.

## Next Meeting

Wednesday, 6 p.m.,  
October 8, 2008

Peggy's Airport Restaurant

Program:  
**Volcanic Ash and Aviation:  
How far have we come  
since the KLM incident?**

Gloria

# October Program

## *Volcanic Ash and Aviation: How far have we come since the KLM incident?*

*Tina Neal is a volcanologist with the US Geological Survey's  
Alaska Volcano Observatory in Anchorage.*

*She has studied volcanoes and eruptions in Alaska, Hawaii,  
and the Cascades and is a specialist on the impacts of volcanic ash on aviation.*

## Calendar of Events

<i>Wed., Oct. 8</i>	<i>Regular Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Sat., Oct. 11</i>	<i>Alaska Airmens Association Oktoberfest</i>
<i>Oct. 16 - 18</i>	<i>Aviation North Expo, Fairbanks</i>
<i>Sat., Oct. 18</i>	<i>Flying Companion Seminar in Fairbanks</i>
<i>Tues., Oct. 21</i>	<i>Mat-Su Valley Chapter Regular Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Fri., Oct. 24</i>	<i>Estate Sale &amp; Live Auction, Estate of Ellen Paneok</i>
<i>Sat., Nov. 1</i>	<i>AASF Fall Safety Seminar</i>
<i>Sun., Nov. 2</i>	<i>Deadline for submission of articles for The Flypaper</i>
<i>Wed., Nov. 12</i>	<i>Regular Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Wed., Dec. 10</i>	<i>Alaska Chapter Annual Christmas Dinner/Party</i>



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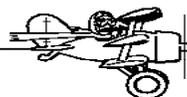
### Chapter Website ([www.ak99s.org](http://www.ak99s.org))

For website updates and additions, e-mail Caren della Cioppa at: [habataku@att.net](mailto:habataku@att.net)

### National Website ([www.ninety-nines.org](http://www.ninety-nines.org))

The national site includes news updates, scholarship opportunities, mentor connections, applications & more.

### Flypaper Facts



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## Alaska Airmens' Oktoberfest Scheduled

*The Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, October 11, at South Air Park, Hangar #4 (south on Jewel Lake Road, right on Raspberry, right on Carl Brady Drive, first hangar on the left).*

*The Annual General Membership Meeting will be held at 5 p.m. followed by live music and the banquet from 6 - 9 p.m. Cost: Alaska Airmen Members - \$10; Non-members - \$25 and children under 12 are free. Plan to attend for an evening of food, beverage, music, silent auction and hangar flying. (Special New Member rate at the party is \$50; membership good until December 2009.*

*The Airmens Association asks that you RSVP at 245-1251 to help them estimate their costs. Join them for an evening of fun!*

## Mat-Su Chapter News

*The next Mat-Su Valley Chapter meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 21 at 6 p.m. at the AT&T Sports Center Conference Room. The program will be announced later.*

*For further information, contact: Toni Merrigan at 373-6569.*

### Mat-Su Chapter Officers

Chair	Toni Merrigan (373-6569)
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## Estate Sale and Live Auction In Honor of our friend Ellen Paneok

*Friday, October 24th, 2008, at The Millennium Hotel, Reddington Ballroom, from 7 to 10 p.m. No potluck or presents required, But come ready to shop..... Remember the life of an amazing woman and friend as you review the unique collectibles and objects that will be for sale from the Estate of Ellen Paneok; bush pilot, scrimshander, author, friend and all-around "Eccentric Character."*

*Estate Sale opens at 7 p.m. with the Live Auction at 9 p.m. at the close of the Estate Sale. (VISA and MC accepted.) Proceeds from the estate will benefit some of Ellen's favorite nonprofit organizations: The Aviation Heritage Museum; The Alaska Airmen's Association; The Alaska Chapter 99s Ellen Paneok Scholarship Fund.*



# Paper Pilot License to Disappear

*No paper, just plastic, says the FAA. All pilots and other license eventually must be plastic.*

*The federal agency is implementing changes to its airmen certification requirements effective March 31, 2010. On that date, paper pilot certificates may no longer be used to exercise pilot privileges.*

*Three years later, certain other paper airmen certificates, such as flight engineers and mechanics, may no longer be used to exercise the privileges of those certificates. The deadlines for compliance are March 31, 2010, for pilots and March 31, 2013, for other airmen. To exercise the privileges after those respective dates, pilots must hold upgraded plastic certificates. How do you get one?*

*We went to the FAA internet site ([www.faa.gov](http://www.faa.gov)), scrolled down to pilots and clicked on replace license certificate. To get to the form we had to create an account with the Airman Services Website and a password was needed.*

*To get that, it wanted our name, address and certificate number. We filled that in and sent it. In a few minutes, an e-mail came back with a password (write it down, it's all numbers and letters) that allowed us to log on to the site to change the certificate.*

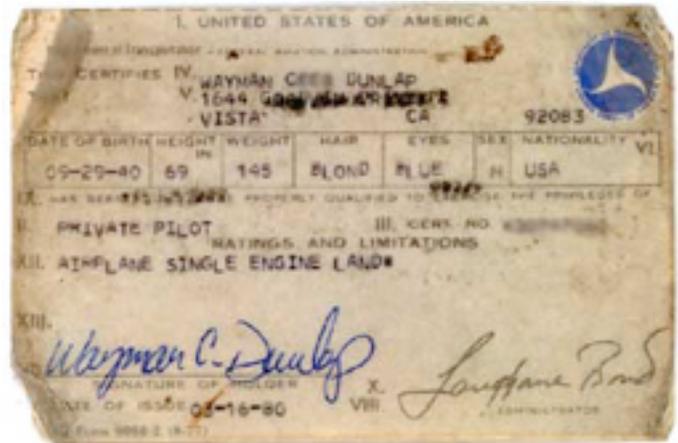
*Somewhere in all this it wanted a photo ID (twice) and we offered our California driver's license number and, amazingly, it recognized it immediately.*

*You are also offered the option of having your social security number (usually also your pilot's certificate number) removed for free, but we didn't want to take the chance of screwing this up, so we declined.*

*Once logged on, and after confirming our information again, it wanted a \$2 payment and we used a Mastercard.*

*Within minutes the government computer said we'd have our new license within two weeks. We also got an e-mail confirmation that our \$2 payment had been received, with a tracking number.*

*Since our license is more than 28 years old and had been plastic bound (by us) it's still somewhat frayed, so it was time to replace it anyway. For those of you without a computer, you can do all this by mail.*



Old, March 1980



New, August 2008

*The information on how to do that is on their website.*

*I submitted it via e-mail on Aug. 12 and received the new one at home on Aug. 21. The downside is, it has the date of the new issue, not when you got your original license (the new one says date of issue: Aug. 12) so I'm a novice again.*

*It looks a lot like a credit card with a black strip and some weird symbols that some computer somewhere knows how to read, apparently. I'm holding on to the old one, just in case.*

*Besides, it was issued March 16, 1980 and I'm kind of proud of that.*

*(Article forwarded by Heather Hasper, source unknown)*

*Editor's Note: I went online and requested that my social security number be removed from my license and had my new license in less than 10 days. AND--it was marked with the new requirement of English Proficiency and NO FEE!*



## Scheduled Seminars

### Maintenance Seminars Thursday and/or Friday\*:

- Spark Plug Maintenance & Technology
- FARs for AMTs - The Dirty Dozen regulations most often violated by mechanics
- How do I determine STC compatibility really?\*
- Continental Engine Maintenance Practices
- PA31 Nose Baggage Door Maintenance
- Avionics On-Aircraft Troubleshooting for A&Ps
- Fabric Covering: A Review of Today's Systems\*
- Star Gloss: A New Fabric Covering System
- TCM Ignition System Maintenance
- Cessna 180/185 Best Practices for Maintenance
- FARout, Man! A Review of Maintenance Regs for Mechanics and Owners\*
- Designees of the FAA - What They Are and How to Become One\*
- If you Can't Take the Heat: Treatment of 4130 Steel\*

### Aviation Seminars on Friday and/or Saturday:

- What's new for pilots at the National Weather Service?
- Flight Instructor Tools for Technologically Advanced Aircraft
- Alaska's IFR Infrastructure: Where are we today and what's next?
- Forest Fire Smoke Forecasts: a new experimental tool for pilots
- Mastering Take Offs & Landings
- Aviation Workforce Development: where will the next generation mechanics come from?
- Why did they do that?
- Where Do Aircraft Limitations Come From?
- Proactive Protection: Promoting your Airport
- Flying with NextGen Avionics in Alaska?
- Fly it first with Google Earth: Know before you go.
- Top 5 Mistakes Pilots Make
- FSS Survey Results: What you want from Flight Service in Alaska
- Medallion PA-18 Motion Simulator
- Human Error and Aviators
- Cessna Caravan Cold Weather Operations
- Online Training for Pilots

### Airport Seminars on Saturday:

- Airmarking Alaska, Northway to Nome
- Driving Down Energy Costs in Hangars
- Starting a Local Area Association and User Group
- Airport Issues: New Regs, New Products
- Alaska Aviation System Plan: Moving to the Future
- Alaska's Rural Airports--A Leasing Overview

### Special Events on Saturday:

- Flying Companion Seminar

*Aviation North Expo 2008, a statewide general aviation conference for pilots, mechanics, airport managers and aviation enthusiasts, will be held in Fairbanks at the Fairbanks Princess Riverside Lodge October 16 - 18.*

*This year's seminars include new presentations from the AOPA Air Safety Foundation and Cessna aircraft.*

*The Medallion Foundation will discuss their new Super Cub motion simulator. Learn about online training for pilots, and get updates on the FAA weather cameras, the National Weather Service aviation Website and new technologies that are invading our airspace.*

*Mechanics will hear from national tech-reps on a variety of maintenance and troubleshooting topics. FAA engineers will share results on operational issues.*

*The Alaska and Mat-Su Valley Chapter 99s will be conducting a Flying Companion Seminar on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.*

*The Expo attracts a dedicated aviation audience for three days of aviation seminars, workshops, trade show and static display. For more information, call 1-877-427-5599 or go on the web to: [www.AviationNorth.org](http://www.AviationNorth.org).*

# NEW MEMBER PROFILE

## OLD FLYERS FADE AWAY WHILE NEW FLYERS SHAPE THE FUTURE

*While old flyers fade away, the new flyers are certainly breaking new ground and shaping the future of Aviation. Member Sarah Lochner went to her Grandpa when she was 14 years old and stated, very matter-of-factly, that she wanted to become an Airline Pilot. After a very thorough conversation about the long road to the left seat of 747 she began her flight training in earnest a month before her 15th birthday.*

*On her 16th birthday she soloed in three of her Grandpa's airplanes: an Aeronca "Champ", a Cessna 172, and a Mor2. She has tenaciously pursued flying at every opportunity working around the airport to earn the money for her flying time. She also applied for and received one of the 99's cash scholarships.*

*Since the FAA does not allow a person to become a private pilot until the age of 17, Sarah enrolled in the Instrument Ground School course at the University of Alaska and passed her FAA written examination for the Instrument rating while building time and waiting for the day she turned 17. Since she had an entire year to wait to become a private pilot, she pursued training on floats and in multiengine operations concurrent with her single engine land training.*

*All of her hard work and dedication paid off on 26 August, her 17th birthday. By prior arrangement, the FAA Inspector who gave her the check-ride for single engine land terminated the ride at an airport 60 miles from her home base, issued her a Private Pilot Certificate with an airplane single engine land rating and then proceeded to a nearby lake and gave her a check-ride in a float equipped Piper Pacer.*

*She only had her Private Pilot Certificate for about three hours when the FAA took it away from her! But then replaced it with a Certificate with a single engine land and sea rating. Four days later she passed her multiengine check-ride and was issued a multiengine rating.*

*Three days after receiving her multiengine rating she took off as Pilot in Command in Grandpa's Cessna 310. With Grandpa and her young sister, Regina, as passengers she headed for St. Louis, Missouri for her Grandpa's reunion with old Army buddies. Dick Lochner had flown his aircraft to 11 previous reunions but this time he got to ride and let his granddaughter do the flying.*

*On the way to St. Louis they visited relatives and friends in Grand Prairie, Alberta, Canada; Billings, Montana; Casper, Wyoming; and Faith South Dakota. Sarah's goal is to have her Commercial Instrument rating by the time she is 18 and then pursue her Flight Instructor and Rotorcraft Helicopter Ratings. And, by the way, she also intends to get her Driver's License when she turns 18.*

*In addition to her flying accomplishments Sarah is a great ballroom dancer and an avid soccer player. The attendees at Grandpa's reunion thoroughly enjoyed meeting her and hope that Grandpa Lochner will let her fly him to future reunions.*

*The Alaska 99's wish her all of the best in her flying career. Go Sarah!!!*

# AASF Fall Safety Seminar Scheduled

*The Fall Safety Seminar is scheduled for Saturday, November 1, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will be held at the UAA Aviation Complex at Merrill Field in Anchorage.*

*Right: Schedule of events for the day.*

*The 99s will be helping in some capacity. More information will be available at the October meeting.*

AM Session, 1 WINGS Credit	
8:00 – 8:30	Registration and Coffee
8:30 – 8:45	Welcome
8:45 – 9:15	FAASTeam Statistics and Updates <i>David Karahunas</i>
9:15 – 9:25	Anchorage/Palmer Corridor <i>Mark Madden</i>
9:25 – 10:00	TBA
10:00 – 10:15	Break
10:15 – 11:30	Winter maintenance Panel Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>John Alsworth, Alaskan Aircraft Engines</i></li> <li>• <i>Lou Nagy, UAA Maintenance Professor</i></li> <li>• <i>Landes Airglas Skis</i></li> <li>• <i>Ernie Walker, ELASTeam</i></li> </ul>
11:30-12:30	Lunch
PM Session, 1 WINGS Credit	
13:00 – 14:00	Winter Survival Considerations <i>Skip Widtfeldt and Eagle Enterprises</i>
14:00 – 14:45	Reading Winter Weather <i>Flight Service</i>
14:45 – 15:00	Break
15:00 – 16:00	Ski Flying / Flying Experiences in Wrangell St. Elias <i>Paul Claus, Ultima Thule</i>
16:00 – 16:15	Closing and Door prizes

## Annual Christmas Dinner/Party

*Our annual Christmas dinner/Party is scheduled for our regular meeting night, Wednesday, December 10, from 6 - 9 p.m. at Bella Vista Restaurant in Peters Creek. Dinner will be served at 6:30.*



*Choices for entrees are: New York Steak, Halibut, Chicken or Rib Eye Steak. Each of these comes with a baked potato, corn on the cob, garlic bread, salad and dessert.  
The cost will be \$30 per person.*

*We will begin taking reservations at the November meeting. If you won't be at the meeting, please contact Melanie Hancock (694-4571 or [flyquilt@mtonline.net](mailto:flyquilt@mtonline.net)) to make your reservation. More information will be published in the November Flypaper.*

# Alaska Chapter Meeting Minutes - Sept. 10, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Chair Gloria Tomich. There were 16 members and guests in attendance including our speaker, Ernie Walker (FAAST Team).

Ernie presented a very informative program about the changes in the Wings Program.

Petra Illig brought up the subject of the Aviation Training Device (ATD) from the Medallion Foundation which has been in her office for a few months. The equipment is in a room dedicated as Pilot Resource Center. She asked if anyone would be willing to train on the equipment and help operated it.

One of our guests, Marcia Poule, is a commercial pilot. She wanted to remind us that the commercial airlines are still monitoring 121.5 for emergencies. They are at high altitudes and can hear emergency calls, but the person on the ground can't hear them. She stressed that in an emergency situation, it is important to continue giving as many details of your position as possible and to keep repeating the details.

Liz Kester made a motion to accept the July Minutes as written. Mio Johnson seconded and the motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Brenda Staats. Checking Acct. :\$10,137.27; Museum Savings Account \$1,227.12; Scholarship CL \$13,653.02. Net income from the quilt raffle was \$1,731.62; income from the silent auction at the Conference was \$1835. Outstanding bills to be paid are: \$1941 to Mat-Su Chapter for past income on the Flying Companion Seminars and half

of the silent auction income and \$2730 to the AE Scholarship Fund from the Conference bear auction.

## Announcements:

John Tippetts, who spoke at the Conference and had his book, *Hearts of Courage*, for sale would like feedback on the presentation. Petra has the book available for sale at her office.

FAA notices will be put in a notebook. If anyone wants to volunteer to review and pass on pertinent information to the group, contact Gloria. Reminder of the new emergency frequency of 406 which will replace 121.5.

Patty Livingston, Mat-Su Chapter, announced that the chapters had received the Hot Asphalt Award (for the most airmarkings completed in the past year) at the Northwest Section Meeting in August.

Gloria announced that Board meetings will be scheduled prior to the regular monthly meeting and are open to interest members.

Central storage of 99s belongings is now located at Brenda's hangar.

Museum Display: Plane Women of the North. Three mannequins at the museum will be displayed dressed in items from Patty Wagstaff, Ingrid Pedersen and Ellen Paneok. Pat Bening and Margaret Ibbotson are working on the exhibit. There is some discussion about painting a compass rose on the floor or maybe doing one to be mounted on the wall. Airmarking will also be considered for the display.

## New Business:

By-Laws: The chapter by-

laws need to be updated. Anyone interested in helping on this project should contact Mio Johnson.

Programs: If you have program suggestions, please be sure to pass them on to Mio. Mio is trying to get Tina Neal to speak about volcanoes and volcanic ash and they affect aviation for the October meeting.

Christmas Dinner/Party: We need to find a location for the party. Angie will check on the Hilton. We want someplace that won't charge us a facility fee.

Publicity Chair: We need someone to handle publicity and help advertise our activities.

Sunshine Chair: Jean White volunteered to act as Sunshine Chair. Members need to contact her with information about illness, injury, etc. affecting our members.

Flying Companion Seminar: The 99s have agreed to do a Flying Companion Seminar at the Aviation North Expo to be held in Fairbanks October 16 - 18. The Expo is a 3-day program of seminars focusing on maintenance issues on Thursday, pilots on Friday and airport issues on Saturday. Gloria asked for volunteers to help with the FCS. The Princess Hotel is offering special rate of \$60/night for attendees. Patty Livingston will be doing a talk about Airmarking on Saturday morning. We will be paid \$1.00 for the seminar regardless of the number of people who attend. Patty and Brenda will drive to Fairbanks on Friday. They can take 6 people with them.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Melanie Hancock  
Secretary



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### **Suggestions for Programs, Fly-Ins, Meeting Places, etc.**

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